Docket No.: 62733C (PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Robert Urscheler

Application No.: 10/687,324 Confirmation No.: 7328

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For: METHOD OF PRODUCING A

MULTILAYER COATED SUBSTRATE HAVING IMPROVED BARRIER

PROPERTIES

Examiner: Katherine A. Bareford

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

MS Petition Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box, 1450 Alexandria, VA 2313-1450

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(ii), Applicant has not submitted copies of U.S. patents and U.S. patent applications. Applicant submits herewith copies of foreign patents and non-patent literature in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2).

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists. In accordance with 37 CFR

1.97(h), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to be an admission that any patent, publication or other information referred to therein is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the listed references.

The cited MECK article is from a PTS conference/symposium that is believed to have taken place on September 18-20, 2001 in Munich, Germany. It is believed that the English-language abstract, on page 34-2 of the article, provides a concise explanation of the relevance of this article. Web velocities of over 1,000 m/min. are believed to be mentioned in the last paragraph of page 34-6.

The director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1512, under Order No. 62733C.

Dated: January 23, 2008 Respectfully submitted,

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